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Winter bird feeders

Help the birds in your garden by making a bird feeder



Tip: If your cone has not yet opened up, place it in a warm place for a few days to dry out.

You will need:

- ☐ Selection of cones
- ☐ Thread
- ☐ Peanut butter and raisins, or lard with stale breadcrumbs, chopped apple or nuts and birdseed

Steps

1

Tie the thread onto your cone.

2

Choose your option:

A. Squash raisins and peanut butter into the gaps between the cone scales.

B. If you are using lard, ask an adult to gently heat it up, adding the breadcrumbs, chopped apple or nuts and birdseed. Then leave to cool. When the mixture has begun to thicken, but is still runny, dribble it in between the cone's scales. Leave upright to set.

3

Find a good safe place to hang your feeders.

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Ice decorations with Mouse

Make magical pieces of ice art to hang in your garden

You will need:

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| ☐ Containers | ☐ Water |
| ☐ Scissors | ☐ String |
| ☐ Leaves, feathers, twigs, moss or berries | |

You could even try creating some Gruffalo characters!

Steps

- 1 Cut a long piece of string and put the two ends in your container – you'll use this to hang your decorations up later.
- 2 Next, add in the objects you collected.
- 3 Carefully fill your container with the cold water – your objects will move a little!
- 4 If the weather is cold enough you can place your creations outside to freeze overnight. Otherwise, you can lie them flat in your freezer.
- 5 Once frozen, place your containers in cold water for a few minutes to help remove the ice.
- 6 Using the string to hang your icy decorations in your garden!

Share your ice decorations using #GruffaloSpotters

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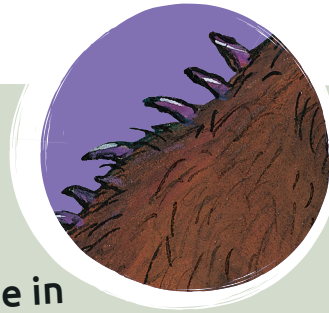
Winter Gruffalo scavenger hunt



How many items can
you find on your wintry
walk or in your garden?
Tick them off as you go!

Look for...

- ☐ Something spikey like the Gruffalo's prickles
- ☐ A hole for Mouse to hide in
- ☐ Something bumpy like Snake's skin
- ☐ Something bushy like Fox's tail
- ☐ A bird's feather
- ☐ A berry for Mouse to nibble on
- ☐ A leaf the colour of the Gruffalo's fur
- ☐ A nest in a tree for Owl
- ☐ Animal prints in the mud



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you found
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Gruffalo winter



Whose tracks?

Match the prints to the animal that made them.

Snake ---

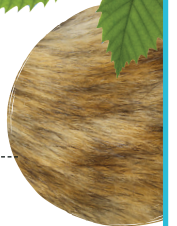
Owl ---

Fox ---



How do animals stay warm in winter?

Use the images to help you think...



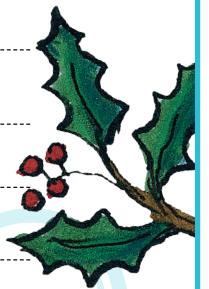
Unscramble the letters to spell these wintry words.

lyloh

nwos

rostf

ridereen



Can you see any animal tracks around you?

Try looking on the ground for prints, or for nibbled things, feathers or holes.



Can you find any of them in the forest?



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Warmth - Shelter, fur, feathers, leaves